

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-86. (canceled)

Claim 87. (currently amended) A system for managing electronic receipts, comprising:

a base device communicatively coupled to a portable device, the portable device or an aspect of the portable device being associated with an account of a user of the portable device, the account being issued by an issuer, the base device associated with an identifier, the base device storing a plurality of electronic receipt policies, the base device generating an electronic receipt corresponding to a transaction between the user and a service provider via the portable device for a service and/or product of the service provider using a select policy of the plurality of electronic receipt policies, and the base device forwarding the generated electronic receipt to the portable device for storage, the base device having a local electronic receipt database that is used to store electronic receipts generated by the base device, the base device having a local electronic receipt activity log that is used to maintain historical information for transactions conducted via the base device;

wherein which one of the plurality of policies is the select policy used for generating the electronic receipt is selected by the base device and depends on the transaction for the service and/or product between the user and the service provider, the select policy being managed by a receipt administration system,

wherein the base device is a point of sale device, which separately receives from the service provider information regarding price paid for the service and/or product of the transaction, and also information regarding the account of the user of the portable device that was approved by the issuer to pay for the service and/or product of the transaction, for incorporation into the electronic receipt, and

wherein the point of sale device generates the electronic receipt ~~in a substantially offline manner such that it does not have to retrieve receipt relative~~ without needing to retrieve additional information from ~~a remote~~ the receipt administration system to generate the electronic receipt using the transaction dependent select policy of the plurality of electronic receipt policies, and wherein information from the local electronic receipt database and the local electronic receipt activity log is exported to the receipt administration system at predetermined time intervals.

Claim 88. (currently amended) The system of claim 87 wherein the select policy is associated with ~~[[a]]~~ the service provider associated with the transaction.

Claims 89-90. (canceled).

Claim 91. (currently amended) The system of claim 87 wherein ~~[[an]]~~ the receipt administration system provides at least one of the plurality of electronic receipt policies.

Claims 92-95. (canceled).

Claim 96. (currently amended) The system of claim ~~[[95]]~~ 87 wherein ~~[[each]]~~ the receipt administration system periodically updates at least one of the plurality of policies and forwards the at least one updated policy to the base device.

Claim 97. (cancelled)

Claim 98. (currently amended) The system of claim ~~[[97]]~~ 87 wherein ~~contents of the local receipt storage are periodically uploaded to one of the~~ receipt administration system is one of a plurality of receipt administration systems.

Claim 99. (currently amended) The system of claim ~~[[97]]~~ 87 wherein ~~[[a]]~~ the user of the portable device is able to use the base device to restore a deleted electronic receipt on that portable device by using contents of the local receipt storage.

Claim 100-111. (canceled)

Claim 112. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of electronic receipt policies correspond to a plurality of different service providers.

Claim 113. (canceled)

Claim 114. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein information relating to the identifier is incorporated into the electronic receipt generated by the base device.

Claims 115-127. (canceled).

Claim 128. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the electronic receipt is tamper-proof.

Claim 129-176. (canceled).

Claim 177. (currently amended) A method of managing electronic receipts, comprising:

receiving a plurality of electronic receipt policies from one or more administrative systems at a base device, the plurality of electronic receipt policies corresponding to different service providers;

selecting a policy from the plurality of electronic receipt policies[[,]] using the base device, the policy being used to generate an electronic receipt associated with a transaction between a user and a service provider via the portable device for a service and/or product of the service provider, the transaction made via a portable device, the portable device or an aspect of the portable device being associated with an account of the user of the portable device, the account being issued by an issuer, the selected policy corresponding to a service provider associated with the transaction,

wherein which one of the plurality of electronic receipt policies is the policy that is selected by the base device depends on the transaction for the service and/or product between the user and the service provider, the select policy being managed by the one or more administration systems,

generating, at the base device, an electronic receipt using the selected policy; and
forwarding, from the base device, the generated electronic receipt to a portable
device communicating with the base device for receipt management,
storing the electronic receipt at local electronic receipt database of the base
device;

maintaining a local electronic receipt activity log at the base device, the log being
used to maintain historical information for transactions conducted via the base device;

wherein the base device is a point of sale device, which separately receives from
the service provider information regarding price paid for the service and/or product of the
transaction, and also information regarding the account of the user of the portable device that
was approved by the issuer to pay for the service and/or product of the transaction, for
incorporation into the electronic receipt, and

wherein the point of sale device generates the electronic receipt in a substantially
~~offline manner such that it does not have to retrieve~~ without needing to retrieve additional receipt
relative information from a remote ~~the administrative~~ system to generate the electronic receipt
using the selected policy of the plurality of electronic receipt policies, and wherein information
from the local electronic receipt database and the local electronic receipt activity log is exported
to the administration system at predetermined time intervals.

Claim 178. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of
claim 177 wherein receipt management comprises receipt duplication, receipt storage, receipt
sharing, receipt deletion, and receipt restoration by a user.

Claim 179. (cancelled)

Claim 180. (previously presented): The method of managing electronic receipts of
claim 177 further comprising automatically deleting the generated electronic receipt on the
portable consumer device upon the end of a validity period.

Claim 181. (previously presented) The method of managing electronic receipts of claim 177 further comprising automatically deleting the generated electronic receipt on the portable consumer device if the electronic receipt is confirmed for deletion.

Claims 182-185. (cancelled)

Claim 186. (previously presented) The method of claim 177 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt validity periods.

Claim 187. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt validity periods.

Claim 188. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different receipt security requirements.

Claim 189. (previously presented) The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different conditions for receipt retrieval.

Claim 190. (previously presented): The system of claim 87 wherein the plurality of receipt policies include different purchase receipt management policies.

Claim 191. (cancelled)

Claim 192 (new): The system of claim 87 wherein the local electronic receipt database contains a copy of a receipt for a prior transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 193 (new): The system of claim 192 wherein the base device is configured to retrieve information from the copy of the receipt for the prior transaction in order to claim,

exchange, or return the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 194 (new) The system of 193 wherein the base device is configured to update the copy of the receipt for the prior transaction of the local electronic receipt database in order to reflect the claim, exchange, or return of the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 195 (new) The system of 194 wherein the base device is configured to update a copy of the receipt for the prior transaction of the portable device in order to reflect the exchange the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 196 (new) The method of claim 177 wherein the local electronic receipt database contains a copy of a receipt for a prior transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 197 (new) The method of claim 196 wherein the base device is configured to retrieve information from the copy of the receipt for the prior transaction in order to claim, exchange, or return the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 198 (new): The method of 197 wherein the base device is configured to update the copy of the receipt for the prior transaction of the local electronic receipt database in order to reflect the claim, exchange, or return of the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.

Claim 199 (new) The method of 198 wherein the base device is configured to update a copy of the receipt for the prior transaction of the portable device in order to reflect the exchange the service and/or product of the transaction between the user and the service provider.